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Apparently, it's just a glitch, there's no policy reason for it, and this bill, LB 235, would clear up that ambiguity. Why? Why does this matter? As I said, a de novo review means the case gets a new fresh review. New evidence can be introduced and the reviewing court is not bound by the transcript of the previous hearing. There's no fiscal impact to the bill and I urge the advancement of LB 235. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Open for discussion on the advancement of LB 235. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Maxwell, a quick question. I think I understand now what you're trying to do. You were...you used the word de novo, which is a term of art in the law and well understood, and I wanted to ask you in relationship to that why the language "determine anew all questions raised before the city." That language seems to imply that the question has to be raised before the city in order for it to have a review, and maybe that's what...maybe I'm forgetting, maybe that's what de novo means. But you cannot...but as it...but I would distinguish it between a situation where you could raise new issues or raise new questions. Is this intended to be an appeal process where you could raise brand new questions and ideas? Or do you have to deal only with those matters that have been initiated before, at least argued before the board of equalization?

SENATOR MAXWELL: Let me answer it this way, Senator. My understanding is that you could raise a new issue, but why don't I get that clarified for you. Could that be something that I would have resolved for you by Select File?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Oh, sure. Of course. Yeah, I would be interested in knowing what the intent was...

SENATOR MAXWELL: Sure.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...and maybe why the words "de novo" in and of themselves weren't just used. Thank you.

SENATOR MAXWELL: Fine.